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SUBJECT: PRESS COVERAGE OF UNDER SECRETARY'S VISIT

1. BOTH PERSIAN AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE PRESS JAN. 17, 18 AND 19 GAVE WIDE COVERAGE TO UNDER SECRETARY'S VISIT, EMPHASIZING PURPOSE OF VISIT WAS TO CREATE "HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT" FOR OPEC-OIL COMPANIES TALKS.

2. WHILE THERE NO EDITORIAL COMMENT RE VISIT, TWO ANALYTICAL PIECES WIRTTEN BY DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT FOR "AYANDEGAN" (INFLUENTIAL PERSIAN LANGUAGE PAPER) STATED NEARLY ALL POL REQUIREMENTS FOR U.S. MILITARY IN SOUTHEAST ASIA COME FROM PERSIAN GULF, SUSPENSION OF PRODUCTION BY OPEC GULF MEMBERS WOULD SEVERELY HAMPER US MILITARY EFFORTS, AND UNDER SECRETARY'SVISIT DESIGNED TO INSURE SUPPLY WILL BE CONTINUED.

3. FOR FURTHER DETAILS AND QUOTES, SEE USINFOS FOR JAN 18 (1855Z) AND 19 (0940Z).
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